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DETAILED ACTION

The following office action is in response to amendment a filed on September 16, 2005. Claims 1, 11 and 21 have been amended. Claims 1-30 are pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8-13, 15, 16, 18-23, 25, 26, 28-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Bisey (US 5,367,614).

As to independent **claims 1, 11 and 21**, Bisey discloses a method and apparatus of displaying a virtual three dimensional scene (Fig. 1, col. 3, lines 39-49), comprising;

Bisey discloses a computer, Fig. 1, item 38, in which there is a memory that stores executable instructions.

Bisey discloses a processor (computer, item 38) that executes the instructions to: track a positional change of a head of a user relative to a non-head mounted display (Fig. 1, item 10, col. 3, line 50-col. 4, line 12); transforming the virtual 3D scene in accordance with the positional change of the head (col. 3, lines 44-49); and rendering on the display a transformed virtual 3D scene (col. 5, lines 1-13).

As to dependent **claims 2, 12 and 22**, limitations of claims 1, 11 and 21, and further comprising, Bisey discloses wherein transforming the virtual 3D scene comprises shifting the

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virtual 3D scene in a left direction of the user when the head moves in a right direction of the user (col. 5, lines 1-36).

As to dependent **claims 3, 13 and 23**, limitations of claims 2, 12 and 22, and further comprising, Bisey discloses wherein transforming the virtual 3D scene comprises shifting the 3D scene in a right direction of the user when the head moves in a left direction of the user (col. 5, lines 1-36).

As to dependent **claims 5, 15 and 25**, limitations of claims 1, 11 and 21, and further comprising, Bisey discloses wherein transforming the virtual 3D scene comprises increasing a magnification of the virtual 3D scene when the head moves toward the display (col. 5, lines 29-36).

As to dependent **claims 6, 16 and 26**, limitations of claims 5, 15 and 25, and further comprising, wherein transforming the virtual 3D scene comprises reducing the magnification of the virtual 3D scene when the head moves away from the display (col. 5, lines 29-36).

As to dependent **claims 8, 18 and 28**, limitations of claims 3, 13 and 23, and further comprising, Bisey discloses wherein the virtual 3D scene is shifted with respect to the head by a factor of 10 in col. 5, lines 1-36.

As to dependent **claims 9, 19 and 29**, limitations of claims 1, 11 and 21, and further comprising, Bisey discloses wherein tracking the positional change of the head further comprises tracking an iridescent color in an object attached to the head (col. 7, lines 22-57).

As to dependent **claims 10, 20 and 30**, limitations of claims 1, 11 and 21, and further comprising, wherein transforming the virtual 3D scene comprises decreasing a magnification of

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the 3D scene when the head moves towards the display and increasing the magnification of the scene when the head moves away from the display (col. 5, lines 29-36).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. **Claims 4, 7, 14, 17, 24, 27** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bisey (US 5,367,614) in view of Stern et al. (US 6,592,223).

As to dependent **claims 4, 14 and 24**, limitations of claims 3, 13 and 23, Bisey does not disclose a camera. Stern et al disclose a computer system using a camera mounted on the display to detect the user as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, item 40 and col. 4, lines 46-60. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to incorporate the camera of Stern et al into that of Bisey as the camera is advantageous as it is used to distinguish the users face from other objects and identify the eyes in order to make the system user specific as shown in col. 4, lines 46-60 of Stern et al.

As to dependent **claims 7, 17 and 27**, limitations of claims 5, 15 and 25, and further comprising, Bisey does not disclose a camera. Stern et al disclose a computer system using a camera mounted on the display to detect the user as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, item 40 and col. 4, lines 46-60. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to incorporate the camera of Stern et al into that of Bisey as the camera is advantageous as it is used to distinguish

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Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-30 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Srilakshmi K. Kumar whose telephone number is 571 272 7769. The examiner can normally be reached on 10:00 am to 6:30 pm.

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